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In re application of:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 18, 2009. Applicants request a two-month extension of time to respond. This paper is timely filed on August 21, 2009.

Please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.